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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 597, L.D. 1456, “An Act to Expand the Number of On-premises Retail Liquor Licenses a Liquor Manufacturer May Be Issued”

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this legislation is a way to support Maine's hospitality sector and businesses that cater to tourists, and the tourism season is crucial for the State's economy and public well-being; and

Whereas, the tourism season, which brings millions of visitors and significant revenue to the State, relies on a regulated and enjoyable environment, including accessible and responsible alcohol sales; and

Whereas, this legislation needs to take effect before the tourism season begins; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

'Sec. 4. 28-A MRSA §1355-A, sub-§6, ¶C, as amended by PL 2021, c. 658, §226, is repealed.

Sec. 5. 28-A MRSA §1355-A, sub-§6, ¶D, as amended by PL 2021, c. 658, §226, is further amended to read:

D. A tenant brewery is governed by the provisions of subsection 3 ~~except for the privileges granted under paragraph C.~~

Sec. 6. 28-A MRSA §1355-A, sub-§7, ¶C, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 185, §3, is repealed.'

1 Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

2 **'Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation
3 takes effect when approved.'

4 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
5 number to read consecutively.

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill and
8 makes technical corrections to the bill.

9 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

10 **(See attached)**